

# Facts About...

State Center Property - Parcel I2 (Voluntary Cleanup Program)

#### **Site Location**

The 0.78-acre State Center – Parcel I2 property is located at 101 West Preston Street in Baltimore City, Maryland. The property is currently a park consisting of landscaped and concrete paved areas.

# **Site History**

Historically, the property was bisected by Bolton Street from north to south and occupied by approximately 20 residential row houses until the 1950s. The 1890, 1901 and 1914 Sanborn maps show similar residential use. The Baltimore Riding Academy, situated along Bolton Street in the 1901 Sanborn map was not present in the 1914 Sanborn. The 1914 Sanborn map identifies the presence of one retail store, one garage and a 150-gallon gasol tank on the property. In the 1950s, the State of Maryland cleared the lot as part of the larger development of the State Center complex and then in the 1970s developed the property as a park.

## **Environmental Investigations and Actions**

A Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) conducted in September 2010 identified the presence of the 150-gallon gasol tank on the 1914 Sanborn map as a recognized environmental condition (REC) at the property.

A Limited Phase II ESA conducted in October 2009 collected surface and subsurface soil samples from two borings on the property. The analytical results identified elevated levels of arsenic and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) in surface soil on the property.

In September 2010, a Supplemental Phase II ESA was conducted and additional surface and subsurface soil samples were collected from the property that included the collection of a composite surface soil sample and a composite subsurface soil sample from the property. The results were consistent with the previous sampling at the property. The assessment also included a geophysical survey that did not identify anomalies indicative of an underground storage tank (UST).

### **Current Status**

On September 24, 2010, State Center Parcel I Master Tenant LLC submitted and application as an inculpable person seeking a Certificate of Completion for commercial use of the property. The property was accepted for participation in the VCP on October 19, 2010 and the applicant notified that a Response Action Plan (RAP) must be developed to address the PAHs in the surface soil at the property. A public informational meeting will be held on November 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at the Department of General Services Building located at 300 West Preston Street in Baltimore, Maryland.

#### Contact

For additional information, please contact the Land Restoration Program at (410) 537-3493.

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